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Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND \$ 5,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:

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Hongkong—T. JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER: Shanghai—J. P. WADE GARDNER, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY
BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent,
per Annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1897. [8]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ per
Cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 per Cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [9]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP \$800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS \$800,000
RESERVE FUND \$375,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the rate of a per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.

" " " 6 " 3½ "

" " " 3 " 2½ "

T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 2nd June, 1897. [10]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorised Capital \$1,000,000

Subscribed Capital \$1,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors—

D. GILLIES, Esq. Chow Tung Shang, Esq.

H. STOTTERDALE, Esq. Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.

CHAN KIT SHAN, Esq.

Chief Manager, GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.

Hongkong, 23rd October, 1895. [11]

INSURANCES.

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1854.

CAPITAL \$2,000,000

TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITY \$2,450,000

NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIUM \$ 757,475

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the
above Company we are prepared to accept
EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS
at CURRENT RATES.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1897. [12]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undesignated AGENTS of the above
Company are prepared to accept FIRE
CLASS FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at
CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & CO.,
Hongkong, 28th May, 1897. [13]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TABLES 600,000] \$33,333.33

EQUAL TO \$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

LEE SING, Esq. LO YEEU MOON, Esq.

LOU TEE SHUW, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
World.

HEAD OFFICE: 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST,
Hongkong, 15th December, 1896. [14]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED \$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods
&c. Policies payable to all parts of the world
payable at any of its Agents.

CHAU TAKONG PAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE:

NO. 8, QUEEN'S ROAD, WEST,
Hongkong, 26th May, 1894. [15]

Intimations.

HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

A N INTERIM DIVIDEND at the Rate of
FOUR PER CENT. for the Six Months
ending 30th June, 1897, will be PAYABLE on
the 27th July, on which date DIVIDEND
WARRANTS may be obtained on application
at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 5, Queen's Road
Central.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from 24th to 27th instant
inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th July, 1897. [16]

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

T H E SIXTY-SECOND ORDINARY
HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS in the COMPANY will be
held at the OFFICE of the COMPANY, No. 18
Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on
SATURDAY, the 31st inst., at 12 o'clock NOON,
for the purpose of receiving a Report of the
Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts,
deciding a Dividend, and electing Directors
and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 18th to 31st inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 13th July, 1897. [17]

NOTICE.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

I N accordance with the Provisions of No. 104
of the Articles of Association the GENERAL
MANAGERS have THIS DAY DECLARED an
INTERIM DIVIDEND for the Half-Year
ended 30th June, 1897, of EIGHT PER CENT.
on the Paid-up Capital. DIVIDEND WARRANTS
PAYABLE at the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI
BANK will be issued to Shareholders on
WEDNESDAY, 28th July.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from 20th to 28th inst.; both
days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th July, 1897. [18]

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

FINAL CALL.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that
the FINAL CALL of TWO DOLLARS
(\$1) per SHARE has been made, and is PAYABLE
at the Company's Offices, No. 27, Queen's Road
Central, on 9th August, 1897.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested, when Paying
the above-mentioned CALL, to refer to the Acting
Secretary their PROVISIONAL SHARE CERTI-
FICATES. These will be retained, and
FULLY PAID-UP SCRIPS will be issued in
lieu thereof in due course.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

CHAS. F. HARTON,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th July, 1897. [19]

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT
COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are reminded that Appli-
cations for SHARES of the NEW ISSUE
must be made not later than the 2nd August
next.

SHEWAN, TOME & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 21st July, 1897. [20]

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

No. 78.

NOTICE is hereby given that the 25th
instant (6th Moon, 26th day), being the
BIRTHDAY of His MAJESTY THE EMPEROR
of CHINA, will be observed as a HOLIDAY
at the Kowloon Customs, Opium Examination
Office, and Station.

All Examination of Cargo and Clearances of
Junks will be suspended on that date.

H. M. MILLER,
Commissioner of Customs for
Kowloon and District.

Custom House,
Kowloon, 20th July, 1897. [21]

EASTERN MICA MANUFACTURING
WORKS.

NOTICE.

THE OFFICE at present occupied at No. 29
Queen's Road Central will be CLOSED
and after the 1st proximo. All information
will be furnished by the GENERAL AGENTS.

Messrs. BLACKHEAD & CO.,
Praya Central.

Hongkong, 19th July, 1897. [22]

WANTED.

A FULL-SIZE BILLIARD TABLE,
Complete.

Apply to

"RITCHIE"
c/o CARMICHAEL & CO.,
16, Praya Central.

Hongkong, 13th July, 1897. [23]

TRADE MARK.

Hong Kong
YUEN WO.

TELEPHONE, No. 135.

NOTHING BETTER ON THE MARKET.

SOLE AGENTS:

H. PRICE & CO.,
(LATE GANDE, PRICE & CO.)

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,

No. 12, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 10th June, 1897. [24]

D. C. L.

OLD TOM AND DRY GINS

\$6.50 PER DOZEN.

TRADE MARK.

Hong Kong
YUEN WO.

TELEPHONE, No. 135.

NOTHING BETTER ON THE MARKET.

SOLE AGENTS:

H. PRICE & CO.,
(LATE GANDE, PRICE & CO.)

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,

No. 12, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 10th June, 1897. [25]

NOTHING BETTER ON THE MARKET.

SOLE AGENTS:

H. PRICE & CO.,
(LATE GANDE, PRICE & CO.)

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,

No. 12, QUEEN'S

To-day's
Advertisements.

GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS for SPECIE—MEXICAN DOLLARS. Current in this Colony, and weighing 7.17, in Exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at to-day's sight on the London Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, London, will be received by the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, until 11 A.M. on TUESDAY, the 27th instant.

The Tenders to state the total amount required (in Pounds Sterling), and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for sums less than £100.

The Tenders to be in Duplicate and in sealed covers, addressed to the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, and endorsed "Tenders for Government Bills."

The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.

E. H. GORGES,
Colonel,
Chief Paymaster, China.

Her Majesty's Treasury Office,
Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 13th July, 1897.

[1123]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"PESHAWUR,"

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 29th instant at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognized.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 23rd June, 1897.

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THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SWANSEA, LIVERPOOL AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"INGCHOW,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent to the Office of the Underagent before Noon on the 30th instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on FRIDAY, the 30th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 30th instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1897.

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"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"ROMARTY."

Captain Duncarr, will be despatched as above on MORROW, the 24th instant, at Noon, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1897.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN."

Captain Barthur, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 27th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1897.

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THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON AND LIVERPOOL (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship

"CHINGW."

Captain H. Harris, will be despatched as above on or about the 29th instant.

To be followed by the S.S. "MOYUNE," for London, about 8th August.

For Freight, &c., apply to

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1897.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO

YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA)

THE Company's Steamship

"OHENZOLLERN."

Captain H. Becker, will leave for the above Ports on or about THURSDAY, the 29th instant.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1897.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"BAUERN."

Captain J. Prehn, due to leave with the outward German Mail about the 27th instant, will leave for the above place about THURSDAY, the 29th instant.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1897.

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To-day's
Advertisements.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED, IN LIQUIDATION.

PAYMENT OF SIXTH AND FINAL DIVIDEND ON HONGKONG CLAIMS.

THE LIQUIDATOR of the NEW ORIENTAL BANK, LIMITED, has pleasure in stating that he has now disposed of the remaining assets, with the sanction of the Court, on terms which will enable him to distribute a SIXTH AND FINAL DIVIDEND of 5.972 % on about 1/2 100.

The above Dividend will be PAYABLE on application at the Office of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, Hongkong, on and after THURSDAY, the 29th instant, to all Creditors whose Claims have been received and admitted.

For the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,

T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager,
Attorney for the Liquidator.

New Oriental Bank Corporation, Limited,
in Liquidation.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1897.

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H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 23rd June, 1897.

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THEATRE ROYAL.

CITY HALL.

THURSDAY, July 29th.

GRAND OPENING NIGHT

OF

POLLARD'S

LILLIPUTIAN OPERA

COMPANY

(THURSDAY & FRIDAY, 29th and 30th).

R. Sepp's Popular Comic Opera

"BOCCACCIO."

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, July 31st.

Grand Matinee

"H.M.S. PINAFORE."

Children and Adults Half Price to all parts of the house.

SATURDAY, July 31st.

"LA MASCHETTE."

MONDAY, August 2nd.

"DOROTHY."

Plan now open at W. ROBINSON & Co.'s, Music Warehouse.

PRICES \$3, \$2 & \$1.

Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform Half Price to 2nd and Back Seats only.

Late Trams will leave 15 minutes after each Performance.

A. H. POLLARD,

Advance Representative,

Hongkong Hotel.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1897.

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NOW READY!

COMMERCIAL AND STATISTICAL

PAPERS.

No. 1—APRIL, 1897.

Being reports of meetings of Companies and Corporations for periods ending 31st December, 1896.

This pamphlet is published for the convenience of the Commercial Community and is for sale.

PRICE \$1 PER COPY,

at the office of the

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH,"

No. 6 Fetter's Hill.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1897.

[1126]

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRICKSHANK &

COMPANY,

VICTORIA DISPENSARY,

HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLY AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

POTASH WATER.

SELTZER WATER.

LITHIA WATER.

SARSPARILLA WATER.

TONIC WATER.

GINGER ALE.

GINGERADE.

CHANGE OF RUSSIAN AMBASSADORS

AT CONSTANTINOPLE,

LONDON, July 21st.

M. Zinovoff has been appointed Russian Ambassador at Constantinople, replacing M. Naleoff who has been transferred to Rome.

IMPORTANT GOLD DISCOVERIES IN

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

There is great excitement in British Columbia owing to the discovery of extremely rich gold in the Klondyke district.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, FRIDAY, JULY 23, 1897.

DEEP regret is expressed by our Bangkok contemporaries of the 13th instant in respect of the death, from heart disease, of Mrs. Baird, wife of Mr. J. Baird of Messrs. Wiedner & Co's. The funeral, which was very largely attended, took place on the 16th inst.

On board the Spanish mail steamer *Covadonga* which arrived at Singapore a few days ago from Manila for Barcelona was Señor Don Juan Luna, the famous Philippine painter. At one time it was rumoured that Luna had been shot. He was suspected of complicity in the Philippines rebellion and was arrested and imprisoned at Manila, but (says the *Straits Free Press*) after six months' incarceration he was amnestied and released. He is now on his way to Madrid.

THE PLAGUE IN INDIA.

BOMBAY, July 2d.

Saturday last was the first day since September on which there was no case of plague reported in Bombay. The mortality from that cause was one. It is true that in the next twenty-four hours three deaths from plague occurred and that the experience has been renewed daily since. But scattered cases are to be expected. They afford reason for vigilance, but none for alarm. The Medical Board of Kurlach has certified that plague in an epidemic form has ceased to exist in that city since Tuesday. The epidemic of plague at Bombay ceased in May, when the deaths from plague fell to five or six, or even to two or three. We see now within measurable distance of a time when a clean bill of health can be given to vessels leaving the port of Bombay, and the city will be delivered from the shadow of a pestilence which has rested on it for nearly nine months. It will be a great deliverance. While rejoicing in this relief from the presence of a deadly foe in our midst, it would be unwise to lay aside precautionary measures. The last word of Professor Koch, when leaving Bombay for Europe on July 1st, was to impress upon all who were interested in the health of the city to maintain a vigilant outlook for the appearance of even a single case of plague and to deal with it as involving a danger of a very serious kind. Even one case may yield germs sufficient to bring about a new outbreak. Dr. Koch's advice, in which the other foreign experts fully concurred, is that isolated cases should be treated with the utmost promptitude by segregation of the patient and of the family and residents in the affected house. It is quite possible to apply efficient treatment to few cases, but very difficult, if not impossible, when there are many.

Some days since the Plague Committee having accomplished its mission ordered the immediate discontinuance of house-to-house visitation. It is, of course, unnecessary to employ the machinery which was devised to grapple with the epidemic when the victims still numbered over a hundred daily now that cases have fallen almost to zero.

The absence from the Honours List of the names of doctors and others who have done yeoman service on plague and famine duty is much commended upon. It is rumoured, however, that an additional *Gazette* to remedy this will be issued.—*Bombay Gazette*.

THE TOCHI VALLEY OUTRAGE.

SPLENDED BEHAVIOUR OF GUNNERS.

KOHAL, 25th June.

The following roughly written notes of the action at Kohal—The enemy held a nail in front in great strength and had lined the village walls and a 10-foot high wall on the right, the latter with picked marksmen. They also held the rising ground and some huts on the left, and a tower in the rear. Our troops were resting on the ground between. The 1st Sikhs and the 1st P. I. and all the officers were under the trees to the left near the nailish, and 60 to 70 yards from the walls on the right. Pickets were out at the front and rear, and the guns were unlimbered at the right rear 10 yards from the foot wall. The mules were unsaddled. At the set-off Captain Brown and Lieutenant Higginson were hit by the first volley and Colonel Mun. G. Captain Brown and Lieutenant Cruckshank doubled to the guns and Captain Brown was hit immediately by a musket on the wall. The guns opened fire with case shot on the nailish. Lieutenant Cruckshank was hit by a musket on the walls, but raised himself up on one knee and continued directing the fire on the nailish till hit a second time and killed. The guns fired reversed shrapnel when the case shot was exhausted, and were commencing "common" having exhausted shrapnel, when orders were received to retire. In limbering up a wheel mule was shot but Havildar Amardin ran back under fire and picked up both wheels, 72 lbs. each, and started to rejoin the battery. He was shot and the wheels are not recovered. Cruckshank's orderly picked up gun weighing 200 lbs single-handed and carried it to the gun mule. The mule was shot dead, so he carried it to the relief mule. Then he went back and brought in Lieutenant Cruckshank's body. One N.C.O. of the battery was hit by a 40 gr. express bullet. Surgeon-Captain Cassidy was hit by a man in the tower. The ammunition and hospital mules stampeded, so 4,000 rounds of M. H. ammunition, the field hospital and the veterinary stores fell into the enemy's hands. The enemy also captured a helio which they now flash from the top of a hill. Subadar Navan Singh, 1st Sikhs, conducted the retirement till the arrival of Lieutenant Dr. Brett who threw 28 shells into Shikar. One shell struck a mosque, blowing up the Mullah, who was waving a green flag, into the air. All the bodies were brought in by friendlies. Sikhs and Pathans were alike mutilated. Mr. G. rendered great assistance throughout and conveyed the order to the guns for the retirement, but escaped being hit. He has the names of over 100 of the enemy killed and their wounded are reported to be dying daily."

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

The following is the report of the Board of Directors to the ordinary half-yearly meeting of shareholders to be held at the office of the Company on the 31st instant, at noon:

The directors beg to submit to the shareholders the report and statement of accounts for the half-year ending 30th June last.

After paying running expenses, salaries, premium of insurance, repairs and all other outgoings, there remains, including £743,76 brought forward from last account, the sum of £125,974.01 at credit of profit and loss account. From this amount, the directors recommend that a dividend for the half-year of 8 per cent. on capital, or £6,000, be paid to shareholders, and that the balance of £20,974 be carried forward to new account.

The gross earnings of the steamers on all the lines show a substantial improvement as com-

pared with those of the corresponding six months of 1896, but owing to a heavier coal bill and exceptional expenses in connection with the inauguration of the West River Trade, the net result shows only a slight increase.

During the half-year the *Honam*, *Fuksien* and *Hengchuan* have been docked for the usual annual Government survey and repairs, and the steamers are now all in good running order.

The West River was opened to foreign steam traffic on the 4th June, and the Company at once occupied the line with the two small steamers *Euungshan* and *Zungkang*.

In view of probable future requirements, your Directors have acquired land with water frontage at the new treaty ports of Wuchow and Kongkiu at a cost of about £8,000.

In accordance with the Articles of Association the Hon. E. R. Bellios and Mr. F. A. Gomes retire from the Board of Directors by rotation, and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

The retiring auditors, Messrs. A. O'D. Gourdin and F. Henderson, also offer themselves for re-election.

E. R. BELLIOS,
Chairman.

Hongkong, 21st July, 1897.

ANOTHER POLICE SCANDAL!

SINGAPORE, July 16th.

Attention has again been directed, and this time in a more emphatic manner, to the extraordinary conduct of the Singapore Police in their dealings with charabanc drivers and jinrikisha pullers. Constables, it is admitted, take vehicles and discharge them without paying the fare, with the result that the unfortunate drivers and pullers are often kept waiting for days for money which they have justly earned.

The peculiar system of the Police seems to be that the puller

first gets a chit from the Inspector of the Division in which his vehicle was hired. That

is often a matter of considerable difficulty, as the Inspector is frequently away from the station. But, having got the chit, the puller or eye must go to the Central Police Station, hand it over to the constable, and await the good pleasure of that individual ere he finally gets the small sum that is his due. All this, of course, entails a loss of considerable time, and, correspondingly, of money, to the men, and it is surprising that they did not complain long ago. Yesterday, the Municipal Commissioners had before them two flagrant cases of non-payment, and they have decided to institute a prosecution against the Police, should the Chief Police Officer not pay the sums demanded within a week. Public opinion, we are sure, will uphold the Commissioners. It is absurd that the officers of the Police Force should continue to pursue, in face of the protests of the Commissioners, such illegal and such slipshod methods. Once having had the master brought to his notice, it is surprising that the Inspector-General has found no remedy for what he has admitted to be an abuse: "We make him a present of the following suggestion. Let a small amount of money be allotted to each Station to pay for the hiring of vehicles, and let the constable on duty for the time being be responsible for its safe-keeping. At stated periods, monthly or otherwise, the Inspector in charge would, of course, forward to headquarters a proper account of the various disbursements. This would obviate the whole difficulty, and the additional trouble to the Police would be very insignificant. In any case, it behoves the Inspector-General, since he seems to have taken the matter out of the hands of the Chief Police Officer in Singapore, to discover a new system of one kind or other. The public expect the Police to uphold the law, not to break it.—*Straits Times*.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

THE "PEGU" PIRACY.

Alluding to the shocking piratical outrage committed by Chinese pirates on board the British steamer *Pegu* a few days ago the *Fanning Gazette* remarks:

Of course, it is impossible to find excuse for or shield from blame the unfortunate master of the vessel, Captain Henry Ross, whose disregard of the custom of the masters on the Achaeen line rendered the success of the pirates' machinations the more easy. It is usual, we understand, for passengers belonging to the Achaeen brotherhood to be locked up on board ship, but Captain Ross followed a different course and allowed them to wander, as they pleased, over his vessel. He said they liked him the better, or disliked him the less, for giving them their liberty. Nobody could have received more earnest warning. He thought the jury would agree with him that the evidence for the defence was neither true nor well constructed. It was an absurdity, in fact, supported by deliberate falsehood on the part of Tuason and his witnesses. The learned counsel reviewed the evidence of both sides at great length and concluded that of the defence.

Counsel thought that the jury would come to the conclusion that Sennett & Co. had obtained

the non-treaty ports permit, had it in their possession, and did not return it, and that, as a matter of fact, the non-return of the permit was the cause of the ship's delay in getting other employment until the 10th January.

He thought the jury would be perfectly satisfied, in fact, that the loading of the vessel was stopped because of the absence of the permit.

In conclusion he asked his Lordship's permission to alter the prayer in the petition from \$1,000 to \$800 and asked the jury to give his client the amount they claimed either in the nature of damages or in the nature of charter money.

Mr. Pollock objected to the amendment being made in the prayer of the petition at this late stage of the proceedings, but his objection was overruled by His Lordship.

His Lordship then in an eloquent address, which lasted nearly an hour and a half, put the whole case before the jury.

The jury retired at 2.35 p.m. and returned at 2.57 when the following verdict was rendered by the foreman, Mr. D. E. Brown:—"The finding is that the defendant is liable under the charter-party and that the plaintiffs are entitled to charter money at the rate of \$6000 per month from December 5th, 1895, up to and including 31st December, 1895. They are also entitled to telegraphic expenses as per account rendered, \$760.00, less the amount paid in the way of advances, etc., as per account rendered. These payments totalling up to \$3,787. With regard to the damages, in view of what his Lordship ruled, that damages are not permissible as special damages and that only nominal damages are permissible under the heading of general damages, we award \$100 as general damages, which we consider a nominal amount."

Mr. Francis applied for the costs of the suit.

His Lordship said that the matter would be referred to the Registrar.

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Hongkong & Shanghai Bank, 188 per cent.

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MEMORANDA.

TO-MORROW.

Saturday, 24th July, 1897.

Chinese—1st of 6th moon of 23rd year of Kwong-ti.

Jewish—23rd Tammuz, 6657.

Mohammedan—23rd Safar, 1315.

Sun—Rites 6hr. 28min.

Sets 6hr. 45min.

Moon—In Aries 1hr. p.m.

High water—Morning 6hr. 35min.

Afternoon 6hr. 30min.

Low water—Morning 6hr. 35min.

Afternoon 6hr. 35min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1863—Thirty-eight convicts drowned in Hongkong harbour by the capsizing of a boat.

1883—British attack on Japanese Legation at Seoul, Korea, and eight of its members killed.

1891—Loss of the ship *North American* in the Kii Channel.

1896—Loss of the German gunboat *Uli* and her crew with the exception of ten men.

TO-MORROW.

Saturday, 24th July, 1897.

Chinese—1st of 6th moon of 23rd year of Kwong-ti.

Jewish—23rd Tammuz, 6657.

Mohammedan—23rd Safar, 1315.

Sun—Rites 6hr. 29min.

Sets 6hr. 45min.

Moon—In Aries 1hr. p.m.

High water—Morning 6hr. 20min.

Afternoon 6hr. 55min.

Low water—Morning 6hr. 55min.

Afternoon 6hr. 55min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1704—Gibraltar captured by Admiral Rooke.

1814—British trade prohibited at Canton.

1885—Anglo-Chinese (Burma) Convention signed at Peking.

SHARE MARKET.

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Saturday, 24th July.

English mail expected.

Share list of the Yah Loong Cotton Spinning Co. closed.

3 p.m.—Auction of house No. 307 Queen's Road Central by Messrs. Hughes and Hoogh

5 p.m.—Lecture by Prof. Richard at City Hall.

SUNDAY—25th July.

Birthday of the Emperor of China; holiday at the Customs offices.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE:

English (*Kaisar-i-Hind*) to-morrow.

American (*City of Rio de Janeiro*) 26th Inst.

Australian (*Chingtu*) 26th Inst.

Indian (*Sutong*) 26th Inst.

German (*Bayern*) 27th Inst.

Australian (*Atrile*) 28th Inst.

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Hongkong, 19th July, 1897. [1084]

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Hongkong, 13th July, 1897. [1075]

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Hongkong, 22nd July, 1897. [1119]

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Hongkong, 22nd July, 1897. [1243]

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Hongkong, 16th July, 1897. [1088]

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Hongkong, 20th July, 1897. [1103]

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